

# Came Through Miracle Men Come From Behind To Upset Dodgers In Last Game

By JACK HAND  
NEW YORK — (AP) — The incredible New York Giants, miracle men of '51, charge into the World Series today in the familiar but becoming role of 8 to 5 underdogs to the seasoned New York Yankees.

Floating on a pink cloud in a world all their own after the greatest comeback in baseball history, the Giants face the stern reality of Allie (Double No Hit) Reynolds (17-8) in the Yankee stadium opener at 1:00 p. m. (EST).

To meet this challenge of the well - fed Yanks, accustomed to World Series hallelujah, Manager Leo Durocher has named Dave Koslo (10-9), a journeyman southpaw who hasn't started in two weeks. It's another gamble by "Take-a-Chance-Leo" in a series of inspired managerial moves.

Nothing that left-handers gave the Yanks fits all season — and Yogi Berra in particular — Leo reached for the only lefty starter on his arm-weary staff. Koslo spends at least half his time in the bullpen, except when his "cousins" from St. Louis are in town.

Won't Take Lightly  
No matter what Leo does, the Yanks who watched the Giants snatch yesterday's dramatic 5-4 clincher from Brooklyn will not take his club lightly. The record books show the Giants often are down — but never out.

Bobby Thomson's three - run homer into the lower left field seats in the ninth inning was one of the most dramatic blows ever struck. It rescued the Giants from the brink of disaster and wrenched a pennant from the grip of the

desperate Dodgers. In dollars and cents it probably meant about \$200,000 to the winning athletes in World Series money.

To appreciate the full drama of the occasion you must know the background. How the Giants flopped in a miserable 11-game losing streak in April. How they were given up for dead Aug. 11, trailing the Brooklyn master race by 13½ games. How they clawed back, game by game, until they tied Brooklyn and forced the second National league playoff.

Winning the first playoff game, 3-1, losing the second, 10-0, they were backed up against the wall in the ninth inning of the final game.

After pulling up to tie in the seventh, they saw their hard work go down the drain in the eighth when Sal Maglie wild pitched one run home and the Dodgers hammered home two more with their bats.

Dark Stirs Hope  
Trailing 4-1 in the ninth with big Don Newcombe firing a four-hitter, Al Dark stirred a faint hope with a single off Gil Hodges' glove. When Don Mueller singled, the Polo grounds settlement of 34,320 began to stir. But Monte Irvin fouled to Hodges for out No. 1.

Whitely Lockman set the joint jumping with a double off the left field wall to score Dark, narrowing the gap to 4-2. Sliding into third on the hit, Mueller twisted his ankle and was carried from the field. On the way he passed Ralph Branca, striding in to replace the weary Newcombe.

Thomson, the goat on some bone-head base running and inadequate fielding, looked at a called strike. The next pitch was a high fast ball

and the Scot from Staten Island slammed a sinking liner that just cleared the high green wall in front of the lower left field seats.

A hoarse roar echoed off Coogan's bluff as Thomson rounded the bases with a wide grin. Wild-eyed Giants pounded Thomson's back and climbed on his shoulders as they loosened the pent up emotion of weeks of back-bending strain.

The old Polo grounds which saw the great John McGraw's teams of years ago never saw any wilder victory celebration that it did yesterday afternoon. Thousands grouped on the centerfield grass and raised volleys of cheers toward the clubhouse windows.

They yelled for Thomson. They yelled for Durocher. They yelled for anybody. It didn't make any difference. No pennant had flown from the Polo grounds flagpole since 1937 and they were making the most of it.

Could Go On To Win  
If history repeats itself, this determined Giant club could go on to win the series too.

The 1914 Boston Braves, miracle men of their day when they surged from last to first to win the pennant, swept past the favored A's in four straight.

In 1942 the Cardinals stormed past Brooklyn in the stretch and knocked off the Yankees in a tremendous upset.

Both playoff winners — the Cardinals in 1946 and Cleveland in the American league in 1948 — went on to win the series. And the Chicago Cubs of 1908 that beat the Giants in a tie playoff game after the regular season, also won the world championship.

But the cold facts show Casey Stengel's Yanks all set with a solid rested pitching trio of Reynolds, Vic Raschi and Eddie Lopat to throw at the Giants. Durocher must piece together his staff after the terrific strain of the last seven weeks to face a team that has won three straight American league championships and two series.

Yanks Favored  
The Giant hitting is predominantly righthanded and so are the Yankee pitchers, another factor in favor of the American leaguers. And the Yanks have solid left-handed batting power in Berra, Gene Woodling, Mickey Mantle, Johnny Mize and Joe Collins to throw against Giant righthanders like Maglie, Larry Jansen and Jim Hearn.

One thing is sure. This will be a more intriguing series in fan interest than a Yank-Dodger set. The fans saw that one in 1947 and 1949. They haven't seen the Giants in an series since 1937.

Since the Yanks found the secret of World Series winning in 1923 they have beaten the Giants three in a row. They lost their first two series to the Giants in 1921 and 1922 in the fabled era of McGraw, Miller Huggins and Babe Ruth.

Because the Yanks have more pitching depth, a steadier infield, better catching and at least an even break in the outfield, the pick here is the American leaguers in six. But then you never can figure inspiration on paper.

Hank Thompson was slated to replace the injured Mueller in right field for the Giants against the right-handed Reynolds.

# Sports

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GETS GAME—Eston Dumont of Glide is pictured at the Umpqua Gun store on South Stephens street as he checks in there with his buck deer, a muley weighing about 200 pounds with an antler spread of 32 inches. It was killed on Yamsay mountain, where Eston, accompanied by his wife and his mother, Jimmy Esterbrook, Jap Palouse and Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dumont opened the season. The party returned with four deer. (Paul Jenkins picture)

# Black Tornado Holds Hex Over Battling Indian Team

By GEORGE CASTILLO  
Talk about a jinx!  
If ever a football team had a hex on another, it is Medford high school on Roseburg.

The two teams have played 15 games against each other and the Black Tornado has triumphed exactly 15 times. In only two games was Roseburg ever within shouting distance.

The competition began in 1922 when the Medford team was known as the Pear Pickers. That year, it was picking touchdowns out of thin air because Medford celebrated the first meeting with a 10-0 walloping. Don't go away. It gets even worse.

In 1923, the story was different. The two teams fought on even terms but the Indians missed two conversions and Medford won, 13-12. They took a breather in 1924, but in 1925, the fabulous "Prink" Callison came on the scene. He set the state prep gridirons on fire coaching his rambling Pear Pickers, and Roseburg was one of the stepping stones to fame. That year Roseburg took probably its worst beating in history. The Pear Pickers won by the adding machine score of 102-0. "Prink" must have sent in his reserves in 1926 because his team only "eked" by 95-0.

For evident reasons, the Indians didn't play Medford again until 1932. That year Roseburg was blanked again, but only by a score of 14-0. The Indians got tough in touchdowns against Medford in the 1933 to score their third and fourth touchdowns against Medford in the six years of competition. By this time the story is getting monotonous but the Pear Pickers kicked both conversions and won, 14-13. It was as close as the Indians were to get for the next 17 years, however.

Playing a little hi-jinks, the Pear Pickers duplicated scores in 1934 and 1935 at 32-0. They upped it a couple of conversions in 1936 to win 34-0, but in 1937 Roseburg got mad and scored another touchdown. The score? Oh, Medford, 39-7.

Competition Ceases  
The era of competition stopped in 1938 when Medford conquered the Indians for the 11th time, 38-12. The Indians muttered to themselves and practiced on other teams until 1946.

Coach Mel Ingram had one of the best teams ever fielded by Roseburg in 1946 and this looked like the year. The Medfordites weren't on the schedule, but the Indians forced a duel for the district 2 title. The old hex worked again. It was Roseburg's best year against Medford, but the Black Tornado met the challenge, 45-20. Just for that, no game in 1947.

Well, the Indians still haven't scored against the Tornado since that bright 1946 year. In 1948, it was 24-0. In 1949, it was 42-0 and, last year, it was only 28-0.

Looking back over the years, a running score shows Medford has scored 101 touchdowns and enough conversions for 660 points. On the other side of the ledger, Roseburg has scored 10 touchdowns and five conversions for 65 points. The Indians scored in five games. If the Indians win this year, it sounds like cause for celebration — but don't forget the hex.

# Rain Threatens Opening Contest

NEW YORK — (AP) — Gray skies carrying a threat of rain dimmed the setting of the World Series of baseball opening today in Yankee stadium between the New York Yankees of the American league and the astounding New York Giants of the National league.

The forecast was for occasional drizzles and there was a strong northeasterly wind into which batters must hit.

The series, originally scheduled to open yesterday, was postponed to today because of the playoff needed in the National league to settle the dead heat finish of the Giants and the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The Giants won this final test, two games to one, by virtue of Bobby Thomson's three run homer in the ninth which provided a dazzling finish for the Giants' surge upward from last place.

The Yankees, with well rested pitching staff, went into the series 8 to 5 favorites. Manager Casey Stengel of the American league champions will send to the pitching mound his right-handed ace, Allie Reynolds, while Manager Leo Durocher of the Giants stated he expected to start Dave Koslo, a left-hander.

# Carl Hubbell Tells Writer What He Thought Of Game

Editor's note: Carl Hubbell, the great left-hander of the New York Giants in 1928-43, and now a member of baseball's hall of fame at Cooperstown, N. Y., tells in his own words to Joe Reichler, AP baseball writer, his emotions on seeing the Giants of 1951 win the National league pennant in a play-off and go into the world series.

By CARL HUBBELL  
As Told To Joe Reichler  
NEW YORK — (AP) — I just don't believe it. I can't believe that we really won.

It is by far the greatest thrill I ever had in baseball—beyond any question of doubt.

Naturally I got a tremendous kick out of the no-hitter I pitched against Pittsburgh back in 1929. Had Lots Of Thrills  
I had a lot of thrills in baseball. Perhaps more than the average player. I'll never forget the World Series opener I won. That was against the Yankees in 1936.

Oh, I had a lot of 'em. I guess. Such as the time I fanned those five American leaguers (Ruth, Gehrig, Foxx, Simmons and Cro-

# Club Officials Say Dressen Will Stay

By WILL GRIMSLEY  
NEW YORK — (AP) — Did Bobby Thomson's dramatic ninth-inning home run which propelled the Giants into the world series also strike a knell for Charlie Dressen's job as manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers?

Some baseball men insisted today that it did, but the only man who could say for sure, Brooklyn President Walter O'Malley, hinted broadly the peppery little pilot would be back in 1952.

"When all the furore of the baseball races and world series has died down we'll make an announcement," O'Malley said.

Asked if the Dodgers' collapse in the final weeks, during which Brooklyn lost a 13½ game lead to the fast-finishing Giants, might militate against Dressen's re-employment chances, O'Malley replied:

"We made up our minds on this matter before we started losing ground. I'll say this and you may draw your own conclusions. We don't feel the Dodgers collapsed. We have to give some credit to the Giants' near-900 ball the last two months.

"Also a manager can't hit and can't pitch for his players."

# Sports Briefs

NEW YORK — (AP) — Here's how four former major leaguers think the world series will finish: Mell Ott, former Giant manager, Giants in seven games.

Rogers Hornsby, former Giant player, Yankees in six.

Spud Chandler, former Yankee pitcher, Yankees in five.

Bucky Harris, former Yankee manager, Yankees in six.

NEW YORK — (AP) — The Canadian army will broadcast the world series today to its troops stationed about the arctic circle. The broadcast will go out over the army station in White Horse, Yukon.

COLUMBUS, O. — (AP) — What may be one of the longest holes-in-one ever recorded was scored on the par four, 290-yard ninth hole at the Army Country club yesterday.

Ted Straub sunk his tee shot with a driver. He wound up with a 32 for the nine.

CHICAGO — (AP) — The American debut of British empire middleweight Champion Dave Sands indicated Sugar Ray Robinson's world title won't go to Sands' native Australian for some time, if ever.

Before a paltry Chicago stadium crowd of 2,379 last night, Sands won an unanimous decision over Hawaii's Carl (Bobo) Olson in a dull 10-rounder that found Sands in a bad way at the finish.

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — Challenger Art Aragon of Los Angeles will get his chance to win the world lightweight championship from Jimmy Carter of New York when the two meet at Wrigley field on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 10.

The matinee will be the first title match staged in the afternoon in California since Young Corbett III defeated Jackie Fields in 1933.

TOURNAMENT CANCELLED  
The scheduled final round of the Roseburg country club women's championship tournament was cancelled by rain Tuesday. It will be finished up Friday, according to a report from the club.

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